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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Inventor(s): Ronald W. Hall et al.

Confirmation No.: 6942

Application No.: 10/717,230

Examiner: Leonard S. Liang

Filing Date: Nov. 19, 2003

Group Art Unit: 2853

Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING INK TO AN INK JET PRINTING SYSTEM

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR RESPONSE/AMENDMENT

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is/are the following in the above-identified application:

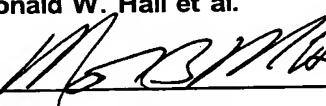
- (X) Response/Amendment ( ) Petition to extend time to respond  
( ) New fee as calculated below ( ) Supplemental Declaration  
(X) No additional fee  
(X) Other: Stmt. re: Common Ownership; 2 return postcards (fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_)

CLAIMS AS AMENDED BY OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY						
(1) FOR	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	(6) RATE	(7) ADDITIONAL FEES
TOTAL CLAIMS	15	MINUS	20	= 0	X \$50	\$ 0
INDEP. CLAIMS	2	MINUS	3	= 0	X \$200	\$ 0
[ ] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					+ \$360	\$ 0
EXTENSION FEE	1ST MONTH \$120.00	2ND MONTH \$450.00	3RD MONTH \$1020.00	4TH MONTH \$1590.00		\$ 0
OTHER FEES						\$
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$ 0

Charge \$ 0 to Deposit Account 08-2025. At any time during the pendency of this application, please charge any fees required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 08-2025 pursuant to 37 CFR 1.25. Additionally please charge any fees to Deposit Account 08-2025 under 37 CFR 1.16 through 1.21 inclusive, and any other sections in Title 37 of the Code of Federal Regulations that may regulate fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Sir:

This Amendment and Response is in reply to the Office Action mailed August 24, 2005.

Listing of the Claims begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 6.

**AUTHORIZATION TO DEBIT ACCOUNT**

It is believed that no extensions of time or fees are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to Hewlett-Packard Development Company's deposit account no. 08-2025.



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**STATEMENT REGARDING COMMON OWNERSHIP OF**  
**REFERENCE CITATION AND INVENTION TO DISQUALIFY**  
**REFERENCE UNDER 35 U.S.C. §103(c)**

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Dear Sir:

At the time the invention of the present U.S. Patent Application No. 10/717,230 was made, the present U.S. Patent Application No. 10/717,230 and U.S. Patent No. 5,732,751 were owned by, or subject to an obligation of assignment to, the same organization, namely Hewlett Packard Company.

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